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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME


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Dear Sir:

Under the provisions of § 1.136(a), applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated July 16, 2003 for two months from October 16, 2003 to December 16, 2003. Enclosed is a check for \$210.00 to cover the cost of the extension.

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